THE GRIP OF HONOR

Cyrus Cownsend Brady. Author of "The Southerners." "In the Wasp's Nest." Etc.

the rest of his separatron, the com-

yous with the Richard alone, and there

determined to take a small hand in the

game himself while waiting for the

assemble. Cautions inquiries which he

caused to be made on shore had in-

formed him that, as he expected,

O'Neill bad been apprehended. A less

kindly man than Paul Jones would

Early the next morning being

arisen and gone down on the terrace

the suits in the harbor, where he met

Lody Elizabeth, while was gozing list-

lessly over the conseway at a horse-

"blo I interrupt reminiscences of a

"Remandences such as mine are

"Saying coolly to my-my-cousin,"

"Has your Lidyship no done or title

"Not yet," she answered wearily.

"Ah, I perceive," he continued jest-

ously. "The natural regret at the ab-

tete-a-tete, madam?" said he, sainting

her with a toofound bow.

better interrupted," she replied.

was not his way.

EXNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS, 00% 000.

Chapter 1.- While crossing in the along away and his hearemant did not rejoin and the shifts. In spite of the absence of ; implore at once hastened to the rendezfair captive, IV Paul Jones, They O'Neill spares the h a stood as Marquis up Karlemont than that by which to designate him?"

TARY ILLEADS IN WHAL REEP SER WORD, sence of your befordhed, for"-

IE night fell on three of the "No, no, not that! How can you an exacted a parcial realizated you those things? You constrain cherished hope. Coventry the slet I'should have been invulvating in the thought of his approaching marriage Lady Elizabeth," he said, with a sudto the girl be loved; Elizabeth should den gravity. "As for me, I must needs have been averwhelmed with joy at trifle or die. Life in the freshness of the reappearance of GNettl, after his the morning, the white support occurs long absence, and O'Neill during that stretching before as in the smallerit, time had asked for nothing but an the gentle breeze playing across our opportunity to stand once more in the faces, is sweet to think on. With youth presence of his divinity. The desire and rank and station it would be heavof each had been granted, and yet enly spent with you. Without you I all three were completely miserable. Welcome the death your guardian will Coventry, because he more than sus. undoubtedly inflict upon me." pected that Elizabeth loved O'Neill; "Yet you waited so long-a year and Elizabeth, because she felt that honor a half-why did you not come? Pcompelled her to marry Coventry, to She stopped. She had spoken in a whom she was deeply attached, but low, tender whisper, looking down at toward whom her reclings, she now the sex beneath them and pincking found, were vastly different from those | nervously at the loose plaster of the which had flooded her being with new old walk. There is a imminent for love life at the sight of the young Irish: and lover-may, not for love; that were man. Her period of waiting and eternal broke down perty convention.

extravagant dreams, and it was in parapet. With metioned palm she met stand no more. Forgive me-have by on. To redress her bair was an plated her as the bride of another. She drew strongth from his strength; There was this saving grace in his a dawning here diskered into being in I honor you for it, hady Edzabeth," he broad, low brow, after the style of the world wills I wait for our copy, sir. bitterly position, however, be would probably be combined to death forthwith, and he was in no meed to balk the execution; if ever death be welcome it would be so to him.

The only one who was completely at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and the ease of his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and the ease of his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract, and at his ease, and who, in fact, extract his hour. You gray hart should probably as size of the strated at these definate would probable in fact, and the ease of apprehension," said of Neill, and the ease of the eas The only one who was completely at this case, and who, in fact, extracts of the sweetly lifted face, on the could certain satisfaction from the situation was the admiral. Naturally he lend such as the admiral of the sweetly lifted face, on the could see a sweetly lifted face, on the co did not enter very deeply into the other way, then, in the nurled path matrinonial sciences of the young, she must walk. Here mercy Lord! O'Neill cainly to Elizabeth, "Friend,

and with the indifference of a man "Was it long to you, dearest?" he I attend you-goodby." well along in years he doubted that it queried, his dark face affame. "To would be a matter of any great difficulty been a feet. Nothing should culty either to make Elizabeth forget, have kept me from you. To trust to if necessary, the Irisianan, in whom messengers, letters—a fool-too lete!" even his obtuse vision had detected Silence! The hands unchasped; ties that she was greatly interested, or, in | were broken "Too late?" He turned case it suited his purpose better, to bitterly away. make his son forget Elizabeth in the "Would that we line met in happier |

old mun with his own blea, and so desire is past." ons was be of largeing the game, that

They bolded great, and heard above have ever been most potent weapons, he would not have besitated to sacrifice the voice of the great deep, the unsupposite product of the great deep, the unsupposite product of the product of the game. They bolded great, and heard above have ever been most potent weapons, even when used to promote the cause.

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The rich dark old tapestry of array of the unfortunate Covenity. The great specific product of the cause of the unfortunate Covenity. The great specific product of the cause of the unfortunate Covenity. The great specific product of the cause of the cause of the unfortunate Covenity. the affortions of his som the happiness fathermable should of the mounting of treachery and dishonor. Not that formed an appropriate background, formed are appropriate background, formed are appropriate. of his ward, or to brush aside almost surge far beneath them, chaing against the admiral himself would have done and life and love and expectation the petities in the still morning, the unything, save his honor, which might the petities in the still morning, the anything he considered dishemorable. The morning has been always and painted by:

"Formation, sir! I advise nothing anything he considered dishemorable, throw a light in her eyes and painted by:

The young frishman had clearly for little pause he continued more softly: feited his life by his action; may, more, now that he recalled his name he re- Irishman, the soldier of fortune, whom life, his son's life, anything, rather her rarest mood surplied. The girl membered that he had been found untoward fate threw across your path- than jeopard it, but he would not hest- had forgotten for the moment her engulity of high treason, and, like his far way, and in your own English home tate to cajole the young Irishman into gagement to another; she had forgotten that as well. He had a double hold may you be happy." upon him therefore. The powers of "Nay, not so," she said softly, taking accoded to the terms he would propose, a woman, loving, beloved, waiting the admiral, who was one of the leads his hand again, her eyes filling with yet he would not refrain from making. The thought of his surprise, the con-Ing men of the realm, were unusually tears this time she was the stronger, use of him even to his own undoing, if sciousness of her own beauty, deepened large, and as a state of martial law "My heart is not made of such fickle possible. "Twas the custom of war, the color on her cheeks and the palpihad been proclaimed on the coast he stuff. I shall do my duty, keep my and the oblequy which in similar inwas supreme as to life and death in plushted word even you would have stances has ever been heaped upon the bef her heart. matters where any military exigency | me do no less than that but not more | tempted has not seemed to attach it-

He chuckied to himself at the thought fit my recollection. But do not talk of that he held in his hand two of the death; you must not. I know the admaster cards love of life and love of miral he has a kindly heart" roman. The third, love of honor, "I would not live," replied the young the situation, and he could not make The first sound that struck her car was which O'Neill was possessed of, was a man quietly; "for life is death when high one, to be sure, but he trusted by the heart is dead." clever play to win the game, since the odds were with him. Elizabeth had breaking the almost insupportable sibecome a state paper-a pledge in lence, "were you there when my mothpawn-to him; O'Nell) another piece, er's picture fell last night?" or player. He had not yet formulated "Yes, so near to it that it almost fell any plan for carrying out his great into my arms," he answered, smiling iden, but one was already germinating [in his mind, so that in the end, under ling her head. the stimulus of the splendid opportu-"What! That it should full into my nity he saw before him for rounding hrms?" out an already brilliant enger in the service of his country by effecting the

of the others. Even Paul Jones himself, who leved

ing except your actual presence in the that you may have a pleasant day." hall has ever startled me so much as beautiful, I think."

"Ab, yes; youth and the present are



ried very young, unhappily, too, and after. My father, too, died. I can

"There should be a warning in this, idlo question fate had determined.

"I suppose so," replied the girl wearirangement was made when I was a strayed herself therein. I have grown up with Edward heart. "I promised him on my word arms bare to the dimpled elbow. The blinds as well as leve. of honor if he would only wait that overdress or pannier, looped with gold "Even that," finally he said slowly. is its end?" time I would nake no further objec-

"No, not even for you."

"Not even for me?"

"Yes," she answered slowly; "I do -In a way, that is." "But not like"

of his voice, the sight of his face. As He hid his strong hand gently down belied by a deep dush on her cheeks. fulle, less white than her neck itself he had ever thought even in his most the gray wester beaten rock of the further. I we have decided, I can diamond stars, and so she put it brave. What was the proposition's

"I respect your decision; nay, more,



anything, save his honor, which might the peobles in the still morning, the anything he considered dishonorable. throw a light in her eyes and paints ! wild heating of their hearts. After a He would rather have cut off his right upon her cheeks hues that no skill, hand, which had done such stout serv- however cunning, could have duplicat-"And you-you will forget the young | fee for his king; he would sacrifice his | ed. no palette save that of Nature in ther, was under sentence of death for and in the love of your noble husband betraying his leader if he could, the impending fate which bung over his heart bounding, and yet there must not that republic. Its principles are Though he should despise him if he the man she truly loved. She was only steadfastly than I shall keep you with soir to the tempter under such condi-

Still the admiral did not rejoice in Never land earth borne a fatter woman up his mind just how much it was the somewhat harsh voice of her necessary to offer. He had rather an guardian. A wave of disappointment uncomfortable feeling that he could go swept across her. She half rose as if very far and then not succeed after all. to discover herself, and then as she Yet the greatness of the stake for heard her lover's voice she sank back which he played, he thought, would and waited, notionless and expectantjustify his action, for the person of John Paul Jones was certainly more de Richemont, I bid you good evening. coveted than that of any other man | . . . the admiral genially. who had ever warred against the Eng-Halt flag. The governor had under his | 11 | 11 | something warning him of an monochate command two excellent impending struggle. fugates the Scrapis, forty-four, and I

do in trasse moments, to reach the prise. "I shall be occupied with prep- His lands were escheated to the crown, was standing. One tiny hand clutched truly loved me-if I have rightly estlement." height of the commonplace, "In tis arations remiered necessary by the ad- his life forfeited. Unfortunately for happiness flooding her like a wave, tightly her heaving become the other mated you your nobility of soul your dress I now wear, under the changing vent of your friends the Americans, is, and fortunately for him, he escaped and then she remembered that she was arm was stretched out with upraised generosity of heart you will plead for fashions, the likeness is not so strike and urgent business required that I to the continent, entered the service of a woman, and indignation found a palm like a godde-s in command. The us with your father. You will give me ing, but when I am gowned as she dispatch your acquaintance, my son, Louis XV, and became"was, in the identical costume, which is on an errand which will keep him You may spare me any further de thus she would be wood and won, the shadows upon her face. The dask willing bride and one who in spite of still in existence, by the way, and sit away until evening. Meanwhile I talks my ford. I know them too well, not in this bartering way disposed of, of the room intensified the illesion and herself-for I have fourist against it whalr, the resemblance is even more | ward, the Lady Elizabeth, In the even- my father,"

"In the presence of Lady Elizabeth. that image of the past did last night, sir, all moments are hours of pleasure. The history of another gentleman in heart, speak?" In his agitation the You are so like your picture, but more I can never sufficiently thank you for whom I doubt not you are deeply ins younger man seized the elder by the intensity of a tigor about to spring on your indulgence. You have crowned terested." the victim with a chaple; of roses bec | "And that is"was as the hours flor always the more beautiful. The ad- fore offering him upon the altar," anworld the bewildered officer. He sus- Richemont." proted something, but in the thought | "Your very humble servant, sir," of another day with his heart's desire

> "Never mind about the altar now," its beginning."

Such a day as the two young people ing strings," lect which was forbidden them by hon- a conspirator." that, and the restraint in which each said the admiral sternly. 'Tis the habit of worth and love.

hall, for what reas in he knew not. That lessly smiling. scarcely remember him at all. I am away in sprigs of lavender. Bastily life a hell and death a pleasure."

The body of the dress was of heavily you will understand me." tions. I cannot break that word now," shade of pale wild rose; the dress "may be arranged."

easy matter, the low confine, with the

She looked hastily about her, and as "Lieutenant Barry O'Neill, marquis.

in good evening to you!" replied

"Allow me," said the admiral, pass "I have here," continued the old man behind them, "some account of the life some time gentleman of the County

ing I shall have something of great im- "Two great honors, surely," said the speaking again. "Would that I might see you thus- portance to say to you. You will give admiral, smiling pleasantly.

ment. Pray proceed."

"Your discrimination does you honor, he resolutely put aside all other things marquis," said the admiral playfully, one day, in the strain of life, so much | "Faith, sir, you read me an easy riddie.

said the admiral. "Enjoy the day, and in every treasonable plot number his bands belied his simulated enhances. perhaps the termination of it may lit majesty which has been hatched on the . It was out now! What would the continent since you were out of lead- man say or do? Elizabeth sank back

was held made their true opinions as "As I am a saller I might reasonably fell; if not ah! open to each other as the day itself, have hared for the former end, but I | O'Netil released the admiral at once They wandered together about the case have forfeited my rights by coming on stared at him a long moment in horriforgot the black future and lived only in Tis not a pleasant made of death, It'll two auditors walted, home for difin the fleeting moments of the present, my lord, nor one that I would have ferent results trembling in either heart. chosen, nor one that is becoming a gent Presently he looked up and rose to his! When the night fell they separated Heman, but I trust I shall meet it with feet. reluctantly, to meet again by her ap- equanimity at least." O'Neill was a "Treachery dishonor-shame! And

prise him. As she left him she ran courage, the matter may be arranged." It age or -

"But you do not love him?" he asked Desterously high heeled, pointed feed, me do: Speak! Titles, rank, station, it be." blue satin shoes and rose colored, gold friends, false, opportunities. If e itself, ef lave ber, God only knows how give this gentleman opportunity to re-

for O'Neill, he found her fairer than on the small white one outlined upon the small white outlined up

helr impowdered and rolled above her "I would settle the course of the hazor of the tempted! O'Nell laughed elect."

Beauty and affection when affect ror, and had acquired the pese per- was lave, indeed in no way like to the a warmterer, a soldier of fortune. I thank answered O'Neill, "Rise, Lady.

"Well, sir, I will even agree to in- "Ah, I thought so! And what would be land of my ward." You do in my place, str?" "I'm not there, thank God!" said the the feeld of my word."

your consent, my ford," said O'Nelli, must decide yourself,"



"His desires must give way to-er-

Peasons of state," said the admiral deand adventures of one Gerald O'Neill Cisively. 21 will arrange all that. If you can obtain her consent to your Paused significantly. Ah, the condi-

"What are the conditions what is it in that dress of the olden time! Noths me your parole, of course, and I trust "I thank your lordship for the compli- you wish me to do? If it be in human honor itself! power, 'tis done, Torment me no

> "I desire you to go back to your ship chalantly helped bluself to a pinch of

appalled. So this was the condition; | softly; passed together comes not often in "Rather hard, but true sir. An Irish, This was the test. He was to choose ed of other things and thought only of drowned may expect to be banged," Her fate hung in the balance. She bar sinister of shame between us; to you. You are a man of honor could never survive his shame if he No"-

pointment in half an hour in the great little paler than before, but still dannes with her innocence and gouth and ished admiral, who shrank back from . "What shall be the manner of my beauty you bait your trap!" ejaculated her, "How dare you make my band death, sir?" queried the latter. she wished it was sufficient for him. "Lam glad to see that you are a man. O'Neill brokenly. The admiral still the reward of treachery, my person the "Hanging, sir. "I's the penalty pre-There had come into Elizabeth's head of such resolution, sir," said the ad- played with his snuffbox, his eyes built for dishonor? And by what right scribed by the law," died when i was born, many years a quaint conceit. She wished to sur miral, "If your discretion equal your averted his hands trembling still, Was do you dispose of me without consult-

boods down, not up. Hell, not neaven. at her sudden change and inconsisten. him with incoherent curesses and fight

cord on either side, was of a fugitive looking meaningly at O'Neill the while, "Think!" said the admiral degreelly. feeling the game was lest, but, like a Would you have left me a shadow of o'clock." was lifted in front to show her dainty "Good God?" said G'Neill, white to desporate consister, playing on. "The it between you? Stand back, sir! My feet in their dismond buckled, pre- the mes, "What is it you would have Lady Estabeth is at the end, where'er lord, is it thus you discharge the trust

clocked stockings. When she stood would I cheerfully give for her who much I love her. From the moment I turn to France and say that he has re- from the American Commental squade up a little train swept the floor. has unken possessour of me speak, my saw her I have built no thought but for Pas of my hand?" The old fushioned waist of her gown load," eried the young man entreating the standard process of the dreaming had unconsciously developed a passion for him which had should truth and honesty be—and hone
oped a passion for him which had should truth and honesty be—and hone
oped a passion for him which had one open and hone o her ersiwhile haughty air, which was picture, she draped it with delicate frame in the dark corner stopped by Jay in this trumph of her lover's hone "Why not pray?" asked Elizabeth.

Tatiend you—goodby."

CHAPTER XI.

O'NEHL WILL KEEP HIS HORDER

HE admired had fully matured his plans during the night, he had not yet come. She

Indier by which you may rise to the word his plans during the night, he had not yet come. She

Indier by which you may rise to the holder. "Compare it to what you have in the way of wordly hon or. What do you may for that hit at some which there is no her cheeks completed her preparation."

Then, full of anticipation for her how wishes of ionorable infrared in the very set; you visite of ionorable infrared in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the way of wordly hon or. What do you may for that hit at some from the beginning and I have core level you as one: I have turned to you for everything. Unsay your striped funding and those beginning and there french odicer, the Marquis de kichemont, my lotd."

"He is a spy, cought in the very set; be has admitted it, and if that were striped funding and those beginning and I have turned to you for everything. Unsay your striped funding and those beginning and I have turned to you for everything. Unsay your striped funding and those beginning and I have turned to you for everything the has admitted it, and if that were easily to you so one: I have turned to you may your striped funding and those beginning and I have turned to you for everything the has admitted it, and if that were cannot condend it is honest pentle."

The find of anticipation for her life in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the wind have in the wind have in the wind that at the other. "Compare it to what you have in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the other. The other is a factor of the indication."

"He is a spy, cought in the very set; to the help and the pentle in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the other."

"He is a spy, cought in the very set; to what you have in the other. "Compare it to what you have in the other."

"He is a spy, cought in the very set; to the other in th his plans during the night, and fully included her great disappointment the room was his plans during the night, and was prepared to make the assault upon the fortifications. These are nothing," said the young the feather from which the remnants of the feather from the feather from which the remnants of the feather from the make his son torget Enzatedh in the "Would that we lind met in happler of O'Neili's honor at the most cone of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the shall have first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the shall have first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the shall have first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the shall have for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the tattered painting had been restlement to the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard even for his rejection of the first be heard eve ever, the paramount consideration with "No course whose, Larly Elizabeth," he clear field for his operations, he had front of an alcove against the wall, mention I now have, some I do not allow born I will marry beloward do anything you answered, the touch of formality in the wild because the book of formality in the wild because the book of book of because the wild because the book of book o He had conceived a brilliant idea, as well as provided a brilliant idea, which would necessitate his absence the pack of both of formality in the solution of the had conceived a brilliant idea, which would necessitate his absence the pack of period would necessitate his absence the pack which is even opanistic formality in the solution of the had been with the earlier of the had been with the experiment of the had been with the world necessitate his absence the pack of the had been with the experiment of the had been with the world necessitate his absence the pack with the experiment of the had been with the experiment of the comment of the had been with the experiment of the had been with the speciment of the had been with the experiment of the had been with the with the experiment of the had been with the with the experiment of the had been with the with the experiment of the had been with the with the experiment of the had been with the with the speciment of the had been with the with

nothing to me. But I have found that she crist brokenly, looking back at man-is she your friend?" gardener's sen a man-aye, a centle the impossive old man. His hands were man! You have called me a fandless steady enough now. They never fremman, an exile, a soldier of fortuneor, 'tis all I have. The stars and stripes holds me now, and you condemn him are hosome my flag. I wear the uni- to death for that! Ind you never love form, I cat the bread of the United when you were young? They whis-States. You may break my heart, de- pered that it was my mother who had stroy my life. You cannot break my your heart. They told me that she her heart. word. There is not power and place enough in the three kingdoms no, not apart. Twis to you she confided me even on their throne - not beauty Have pity, in her name, have morey?" enough even in Elizabeth Howard to

Say no more. You have your answer!" GENTLEMEN ALE.

tempt Lie, to compel me to do that,

OOK, you fool?" said the ad-

miral roughly, furious with man." he exclaimed, turning the surprised young man about before he picture of her whom you reject! Gaze upon it! If you love her, say whether or no your high flown sentiments of honor can stand against that proslese. He had staked all upon the throw

There in the great frame stood the most beautiful picture that the eyes of

So glorious, so splendid, so perfect a

"I have here, also, a brief account of more. As you are a man and have a This was the end of his resource, and "One Barry O'Neill, marquis de and arrange to put in my possession in the stress of her anxiety. The strain bedewed his brow, the person of John Paul Jones," said had been too much for her. She had the admiral, with the greatest deals been about to intervene between them your trust in me in value" he eriest eration, concealing his anxiety by an when the glances of the two men arappearance of great firmness as he non-rested her step. She waited, one little ing he done? I will not stand in the foot outstretched, her body leaning way." shuff. An accurate observer would forward slightly, a picture of triumph, "I find that you have been concerned been concerned by noticed that the trembling of his her eyes as two lambout flames playing O'Neill, there is nothing that can be upon her lover. He watched her in done, My duty is perfectly clear. The awestruck silence, sank on his knees, only possible salvation of the prisoner stretched out his arms, murmuring

"Thou knowest that I love thee! I some trick of the wavering light?

fully, rising. "See is it a spirit? She not. I cannot! Edward, here is my the walls, gazed out upon the sparkling shore. I suppose. He paused, and as fied slience, shrank away from him shakes her head; Look you, my lord, seal. Make out the warrant for an orsea and allowed themselves to dream the admiral nodded gravely he contin- and sank down in the chair and buried she is alive. The picture fell last der for a court martial temorrow that the day would never end. They ned with well simulated indifference: his fact in his hands for a little space. night, you remember. "Tis herself! morning. It is a necessary form, of Elizabeth, Elizabeth, you have heard course. The execution of Lieutenant and seen have I not decided well?"

and stepping swiftly toward the astons clung to O'Nelli and listened. bug me? Am I a slave, that you force lord, but 'twill serve. A last request, hastily to the ancient wardrobe in her "It is useless to try it," was the re- "Oh, my God, my God?" continued me upon this gentleman? My word is sir. I am a saffer may I be imaged private apartment, in which with the ply. "To have known your ward, to the sailor, stricken to the very heart, given to your son; you yourself insisted upon a ship?" he asked again, pressing prudent forethought of her ancesters bave soon her and to know that she is "To raise my hopes to such a nich upon it. You would play the traiter the trembling woman to his breast, nost underpry people in the triffs so with me at this moment? He should there not? he asked softly-an her mother's weating role was find destined for the arms of another makes to put the cup of importess to my very double and would fain make him do lips to open the gates of heaven in my, the same. And for what? To compass grant more! Major Coventry, you will doffing her own garments and assisted Pla it so?" said the admiral, pausing, very presence, and couple your propo- the death of one poor man to whom I direct Captain Pearson of the "But what was I to do? The ar. by the skillful fingers of her maid, she exhibits this infamy! I am owe life and hence, who is only fight- to execute the sentence of the court, youth, sir, and one that you loved, and a lover, sir, you know it well, but you ling for what he calls his freedom! which will meet on his ship, the prisshould not have forgotten that I am. Shame upon your gray bairs, sir! Oh, oner to be confined there meanwhile, Coventry. He loves me; he is a noble brounded white satin, wern over mod- The admiral reflected. The stake he before everything else, a gentleman, the losest to my modesty, to be thus You will find the papers in the library fellow. I respect, esteem him highly. erate hoops; the bodies was cut low was so high, his desire. How could you do it? It ill becomes lamified about between two men - And. Here is my seal. Husten and get the It is a long cherished wish of the ad- and square across the need and should was so great, that, like the woman who your years," he went on imperiously, you, sir!" she cried in temperatures mainten matter over." Coventry left mirai's. It was my mother's wish as dors and terminated in a pointed assistant he fell. There would be in anomalian indication. "I am your passion, turning to O'Neill, "You do the room at once in abstract to his well. I put him off in spite of the en- stommener of delicate pale blue, laced some way ant of it, surely. As he drew prisoner your capties, but I knew not me the honor to refuse me to refer orders. gagement for a year for six months as of the front with silver cord. The ment to the moment and to the goal, that misfortune may you a right to in- me, me, me, Elizabeth, Howard-look again," she said, with a glauce the short, rather full sheeves edged with his overwhelming desire took passes; suit me thus. My lord, my lord, the at me you would have rone of me"fond repreach of which cut him to the priceless lace left the sweet young sion of him and blinded him. Desire ladder upon which you put my feet "My honor"— cried to Neill, amazed Elizabeth still conging to him, covering

committed to you by my mother to

fattering, her passionate anger checke he came, on the word of a British offiadmiral. "I will please my word of "Herause he shall be tried and hang. A slender, dapper little man in the

"You see the summons," replied great sunformst of diamonds, in the you wish. There shall be a festeration planne it first into your heart and then fore the admiral, "festive me for my midst of which flashed a gleaming of the ancient innes of your venerable into my own."

supplier. A little black patch or two loose. I will put your feet upon a "Think what it is I offer," persisted what I say. You have been a father the Marquis de Chilement, we lead to the other the Marquis de Chilement, we lead to

"A thousand deaths rather than that comes in the harbor.

Elizabeth; your appeal is vatu. Ro. shall remember your courteous words, Joicing in your approval of my action. my lord. And new I enter my formal thankful to God that I have heard you protest against this inwarranted acsay, 'I love you,' I thall die happy,"

arms protectingly before him and then | France will have something to say throwing herself upon his breast, eyou about it. I bid you fare well." cannot die-you shall not die! Oh, my But that is tantamount to giving old man forvently, "And I repeat-you love, my love, I knew not until I heard differently furning away. you speak what this feeling was! I cannot let you go! Surely, you would never be so grael as to part us now?" the Frenchman whispered, "This wobled but from shame. "What has he was unhappy because they forced you "Enough" said the admiral. "It is see him safely bestowed on his vessel."

not that I will not, but I cannot. He has chosen; he must die " "Then may death come to me." said

Elizabeth, "because, for all eternity, 1 | had prepared. love him" "And this," broke in the cold. stern

voice of Major Coventry, who had enway, though, in spite of him welcome 1 receive from my bride of self, his heart exuited in the nobility | tomorrow, and this is the reward of the of the man. "Look, you beggarly Irish | efforts I have made to secure the release of the Marquis de Richemont, my friend! May God have pity on could recover himself. "Look on the me-my sweetheart and my friend" "Sir," said O'Neill brokenly, "I crave your forgiveness. I knew that she was arm is there." yours-I do not understand how we got into this position," passing his hand over his forehead in bewildermentbut this I know-I am to die! There "Nover-never" cried Elizabeth either man had ever seen. Elizabeth furning to him. "Edward, if you have

locksment in her being. "Twas not light of the flekering candles cast sub- up. You are too proud to take an unas she did, in the dim light in that old leave you to the tender mercles of my He became a marshal of France, and By what right did any one, even her spiritualized her hearty. O'Nelli look. for your sake confesses that she loves guardian, presume to- O'Neill was ed at her with all his life in his gaze, another. You will intercede with your father. I will bless you all the days creature would shake the very goal of of my life. Edward, Edward, the companion of my childhood's hours, my The admiral had played his last card. friend, my brother, my only hope is in you! Speak!" She fell at his first and he watched the Irishman with all the clasped his hand, which she covered its prey. The moments fied. He knew lence. Coventry covered his face with that he had lost. Elizabeth had risen his other hand. The sweat of agony

hoarsely at last, "Father, can noth-

"My son, Ludy Elizabeth, Lieutenant would be in the action which he has refused even to consider, and, sir, it it were my duty to effect, if possenie, the earthly calendars. There was one subhonor! His answer, what would it he? pier days thou mightest have given me through you I can only say that I am or and discretion. They therefore talk. "Quite so, and those who are not Had her ided feet of clay, after all? thy heart, but I could not take it with a glad that I have falled. I applied a Was she moving? Was that | deed, slr. I know few who would have resisted such a plea as this. Say no "Good heavens!" eried O'Neill fear- more, Elizabeth. It is not that I will O'Neill will follow ut oncor" Elizabeth "How dare you, my lord!" exclaimed did not faint-no, not yet the girl, coming down from the dals would be time for that later. Sho

"It is a poor death for a man, my

"And at what time, sir, will the sen tence be carried out?" asked O'Neilling against despair.

"Tomorrow evening at half after to

"Very well, my lord."

At this moment the old sergount ontered the room and salitted the admiral, "A French officer, which he says he's ron, has come ashere in a small conter,

"Tell him he shall return as freely as

serving as a volunteer in the American

"And you come on behalf of" "Cantain John Paul Jones, to protest

"De Chamillard," said O'Neill, "you can do nothing." "The laws of war"- persisted the

"It is in accordance with those laws. that I do what I do " replied the admiral shortly, "and you may say to. aftermative he has nobly rejected. Die Your captain that if I catch him he shall swing from the urst yardarm

"No. no!" said the girl, sprending her quis de Richemont. The king of

"Farewell, sic," said the admiral, in-"De Richemout, goodby: embrace. me." As the two men came together

"Yes," replied O Neill quickly, "Mademoiselle," said De Chamillard, turning to Elizabeth with a keen look that, too, is true. But to Captain Jones | done? He came here to see me-me In his eyes. Recognizing him at last, and his service I have piedged my hon- alone-to take me in his arms as he she stretched om her hand to him. He niurmured as he bent low over it, "Delay the execution for at least six hours, and I will save him." Elizabeth sank down in her chair, a gleam of hope in

"I salute you," he said, turning away. "Sergeant," cried the admiral, "attend the Vicemte de Chamillard and As the Frenchman turned toward the door he came face to face with Major Coventry returning with the orders he

the latter.

"At your service," said the supposed Frenchman, promptly tearing off his wig and laying his hand on his sword. "Ha!" cried the admiral. "Have you dared to come here? I have you now! Call the guard' Sergeant, arrest this rebel, this traitor, this pirate! Disarm him! You shall never leave this castle but for the ship, sir. The yard-

"Stop, my lord," answered Jones calmly as the men crowded toward men! You cannot touch me. I have that which will protect me wherever flies the English tlag."

"And that is"- said the admiral,

"No, that it should fall at all." the Scarborough, twenty eight and if ing his snuffbox, from which both gen ervice of his country by effecting the capture of the famous Paul Jones, his 'Well. I do not believe in omens, and through his planning and foresight themen helped themselves elaborately they should capture Jones and his 'I have here,' continued the old mall hours were as sieepless as were those fall, at any rate. He gets the subslops he might aspire to any honor in drawing a piece of paper from the somes, I the shadow, the illusion-and | the gift of the king. The poor Irish lieutenant had caused even that is broken!" "Good morning, my dear marquis," of the room, neither of them noticing entry?" cried the Irishman. he said pleasantly as soon as the young the picture at the moment, as it was a great deal of trouble to every one "And so even the shadow is lost," with whom he had come in contact. said Elizabeth. licutenant was ushered into the office. "Not yet. Open my hears, you will "Good morning to your lordship," anand cherished the young man with all find it there," he answered quickly. swered O'Neill bravely. his generous heart, was filled with deep | "But how like you the portrait was!" "I have sent for you to give you the Clare, in Ireland, who rebelled against shit she is yours, provided" - He run of the castle today," continued the his gracious majesty King George 11. anxiety as to his probable fate when Yes, I am said to look like my mothhe heard the report of old Price the er," she answered, striving, as we all admiral, much to the prisoner's sur- or blessed memory, in the year 1745 | fions;

"Tell me," asked the girl nervously

"A bod smen!" she murmured, shak-

desk as they walked toward the center. The admiral bowed. "And Major Cov-